

REMARKS

The issue fee was paid in this case on June 26, 2009. On July 16, 2009 the Office sent a Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification pointing out discrepancies between the accepted drawings and descriptions in the specification. In the present action, applicants provide a corrected version of section 3.1 of the specification entitled "Brief Description of the Drawings." There are no changes to the claims or other part of the specification submitted herewith.

While amendments filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.312 must usually be filed prior to the payment of the issue fee, such an amendment may be entered on the recommendation of the primary examiner, approved by the Director, without withdrawing the application from issue. Since the Office did not send the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency until approximately three weeks after the issue fee was paid, applicants respectfully request that this amendment be entered.

Applicants' attorney telephoned the PTO's Application Assistance Unit which instructed applicants' attorney to file this 312 amendment to correct the inconsistency. Applicants' attorney also telephoned Examiner Solola to confirm the course of action.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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